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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

HYPODERMIC NEEDLE GUARD

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-identified Application, please amend the Application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Page 1, after the title and before "Field of the Invention," please insert the following:

-- Cross Reference to Related Applications

This application is a divisional of application Serial No. 09/369,866 entitled HYPODERMIC NEEDLE GUARD, filed on August 9, 1999.--

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IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel Claims 20-58.

Respectfully submitted,

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